

Time is running out. May 15th is the deadline for some seniors to sign up for Medicare’s Prescription Drug Benefit to save the most money.

“Time is running out to enroll in the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit. I urge you to call Medicare today and find out if this coverage is right for you.”

— Congressman Charles Boustany

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Starting at the beginning of this year, Medicare’s new Prescription Drug Benefit became available to all senior citizens eligible for Medicare. Many Medicare recipients can save 95% of their prescription drug costs—an average of \$1100 a year.

A variety of Medicare-approved plans are available for Louisianians to choose from. But time is running out for you to sign up for Medicare’s new Prescription Drug Benefit and save the most money.

If you wait to sign up, you will be required to pay a higher premium.

Medicare recently extended the enrollment deadline for people in hurricane affected parishes. This will allow seniors in parts of Acadia, Calcasieu, Cameron, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette and Vermilion parishes more time to enroll. But regardless of the extension, everyone should check what benefits are available and see how much money you can save by enrolling in one of the plans now.

In order to see if Medicare’s Prescription Drug Benefit is right for you, call 1-800-MEDICARE and talk to a professional Medicare advisor. (Instructions are on the inside of the update).



Attention Congressman Boustany

Please write any questions you have about legislation affecting seniors on this card and mail it to Congressman Boustany. He and his staff will get back to you as soon as possible about your concerns.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Time is running out. Save more on prescription drugs before May 15.

A personal message from Congressman Charles Boustany.



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Congressman Charles Boustany, Jr., MD

Dear Friend:

As a Congressman and a doctor, I want to alert you to the new Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit. This program will allow many seniors to save significantly on their prescription drugs.

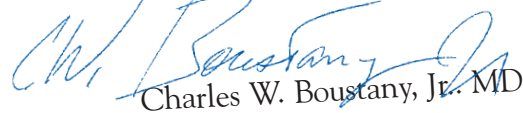
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I encourage you to review the information, and to check with the contact and resources provided. Every person's situation is different, but many seniors stand to benefit from this coverage. That's why the AARP supports this program.

You don't have to sign up for a Medicare prescription drug plan. However, if you don't have prescription drug insurance or have inadequate coverage, you may be able to save money on prescriptions by doing so.

Most importantly to me, **no seniors who enroll will be forced to choose between the cost of food or medicine.**

Sincerely,

  
Charles W. Boustany, Jr., MD

P.S. You don't have to enroll in the new Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit, but it could save you up to 95% of the cost of your prescription medicines.

**May 15 is the last day for some senior citizens to sign up for Medicare's prescription drug benefit and save the most money.**

The AARP supports the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit, and it could save you up to \$1,110 per year.

On average, Medicare will pay for more than 95% of the costs of prescription drugs for some seniors. But you must sign up for a plan that suits your needs.

Almost 64,000 of the 95,000 seniors in our area that are eligible have seen benefits of the program and have enrolled.

If you already have prescription drug coverage, you should have been notified by your insurer that your plan is adequate or "creditable," if you lose your creditable coverage you are eligible to enroll in Medicare Part D without penalty. Enrolling in the Medicare Plan is voluntary, and you should see if it will work for you and your family.

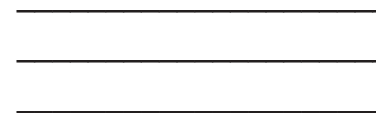


## How to Enroll:

- Call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) for a live representative, 24-hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Visit [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov) and choose a plan to enroll.
- Call or stop by one of my offices, where my staff will assist you.

### What you need to help choose the best plan:

- A list of the prescription medicines you take.
- Information about any current prescription drug coverage you may currently have through an employer or other policy.
- The name and address of your pharmacy.
- How much you spend on prescriptions each year.
- Your Medicare enrollment information.



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